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SUBJ: USDEL TO XIII PAN AMERICAN RAILWAY CONGRESS (PARCA),  
CARACAS, VENEZUELA, NOVEMBER 13-22; PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

SUMMARY: XIIIITH PAN AMERICAN CONGRESS OPENED NOVEMBER 13  
IN CARACAS, VENEZUELA. DELEGATIONS PRESENT FROM 18 WESTERN  
HEMISPHERE COUNTRIES AS WELL AS OBSERVERS FROM CANADA (NON-  
MEMBER) AND WESTERN EUROPE.

1. XIII PAN AMERICAN CONGRESS (PARCA) OPENED NOVEMBER 14.  
INAUGURAL SPEECHES BY HOST COUNTRY PRESIDENT, CARLOS ANDRES  
PEREZ; CONGRESS PRESIDENT GEN. JUAN CARLOS DE MARCHI (ARGENTINA);  
AND CONFERENCE PRESIDENT ROBERTO AGOSTINI C. (VENEZUELA) STRESSED  
IMPORTANCE OF UNITED RAILWAY SYSTEM TO LATIN AMERICAN DEVE-  
LOPMENT. VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT ALSO STRESSED IMPORTANCE TO  
VENEZUELA OF A PROPOSED INTERNAL RR NEWTORK NOW BEFORE GOV  
CONGRESS FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

2. DELEGATIONS AND CHIRMEN TO PARCA ANNOUNCED AS FOLLOWS:

- (A) ARGENTINA, JORGE TZICAS
- (B) BOLIVIA, JOSE LUIS DE PABON E.
- (C) BRAZIL, GERSON CARDOSO DA SILVA
- (D) COSTA RICA, ENG. JORGE A. ZAVALETA
- (E) CUBA. MANUEL ALEPUZ LLANSANA
- (F) CHILE, ADOLFO CARAFI MELERO

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(G) ECUADOR, ISIDRO DE ICAZA PLAZA

(H) EL SALVADOR, HECTOR PALOMO SALAZAR  
(I) UNITED STATES, THOMAS H. GOODFELLOWS  
(J) GUATEMALA, LIC. HECTOR A. DAVILA MENDOZA  
(K) HAITI, ERNST REMY  
(L) MEXICO, FRANCISCO SANDOVAL  
(M) NICARGUA, MAJOR ENG. NOEL ADOLFO GONZALEZ GUTIERREZ  
(N) PARAGUAY, DR. ELADIO R. BUENO DE LOS RIOS  
(O) PERU, J.E. ROBERTO ESPINOZA BECERRA  
(P) DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, JULIO SANCHEZ FELIX  
(Q) URUAY, RAUL M. LIARD  
(R) VENEZUELA, LUCIO BALDO

3. CHAIRMEN OF STEERING COMMITTEES APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:

(A) INFRASTRUCTURE OF ROADS AND WORKS:  
PRESIDENT, MARIANO PALACIOS ALVAREZ (CUBA); FIRST SECRETARY,  
ENG. ERNESTO RIVERA URQUIDI (MEXICO); ALTERNATE, ENG.  
MARIO TORRES JACOBI (MEXICO); SECOND SECRETARY, ENG.  
FRANCISCO AZPURUA (VENEZUELA).  
(B) TRACTION AND ROLLING STOCK:  
PRESIDENT, ENG. ALBERTO MENDEZ SAVAGE (MEXICO); FIRST SEC-  
RETARY, ENG.  
FERNANDO CAVAZZONE (BRAZIL); SECOND SECRETARY, ENG. GABRIEL  
MEDIALDEA (VENEZUELA).  
(C) EXPLOITATION:  
PRESIDENT, ENG. HERNAN ZULETA SALAS (VENEZUELA); FIRST  
SECRETARY, ENG. ABELARDO JIMENEZ AMADOR (MEXICO); SECOND  
SECRETARY, ENG. ALBERTO MARINO (BRAZIL).  
(D) ADMINISTRATION, TARIFFS, STATISTICS AND BUDGETING:  
PRESIDENT, ENG. WALDO SETTE DE ALBUQUERQUE (BRAZIL); ALTERNATE,  
ENG. GUILHEME FRANCO (BRAZIL); FIRST SECRETARY, ENG. GELACIO  
LUNA Y LUNA (MEXICO); ALTERNATE, ENG. ALFREDO SUAREZ RABAGO  
(MEXICO); SECOND SECRETARY, ENG. FERNANDO PADRON (PERU).  
(E) GENERAL PLANNING, ECONOMY, ADMINISTRATION, INDI-  
VIDUAL LEGISLATION, GENERAL ASPECTS:

THIS SECTION WAS DIVIDED IN TWO GROUPS, AS FOLLOWS:

GROUP 1:

PRESIDENT, ENG. EDWARD JOHN GEPP (BRAZIL); FIRST SECRETARY,  
ENG. LUCAS VALERO (VENEZUELA); SECOND SECRETARY, ENG.  
JORGE IZICAS (ARGENTINA).  
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GROUP 2:

PRESIDENT, ENG. ALFONZO HERNANDEZ LOZANO (MEXICO); ALTERNATE,  
PUB. ACCT. JOSE FLORES MORENO (MEXICO); FIRST SECRETARY,  
ENG. MARIO FERNANDEZ (CUBA); SECOND SECRETARY, ECON. HUGO  
PADILLA (VENEZUELA).

4. US. DELEGATION WAS REPEATEDLY PRESSED TO TAKE MORE ACTIVE

PART IN CONFERENCE. CHAIRMAN GOODFELLOW WAS OFFERED AND DECLINED CHAIRMANSHIPS OF ALMOST ALL STEERING COMMITTEES, ESP. SECTION (E). BRAZIL, MEXICO AND CUBA APPEAR TO BE WILLING TO ACCEPT MAJOR ROLES IN CONFERENCE.

5. US. DELEGATION CANVASSING US. OBSERVERS AND SUPPLIERS FOR GENERAL VIEWS OF CONFERENCE.  
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